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In re Application of Albert K. Chin Application No. 10/696,381 Filed: October 28, 2003 Attorney Docket No. 80121-08565

**DECISION ON PETITION** 

This is a decision on the renewed petition, filed September 5, 2006, under 37 CFR 1.137(b), to revive the instant nonprovisional application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

Petitioner states that the present nonprovisional application is the subject of a foreign or international application filed on January 13, 2004. However, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office was unintentionally not notified of this filing within 45 days subsequent to the filing of the subject application in a foreign country.

In view of the above, this application became abandoned pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)(B)(iii) and 37 CFR 1.213(c) for failure to timely notify the Office of the filing of an application in a foreign country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication of applications 18 months after filing.

A petition under 37 CFR 1.137(f) must be accompanied by:

- (1) the reply which is met by the notification of such filing in a foreign country or under a multinational treaty;
- (2) the petition fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(m); and
- (3) a statement that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date of the reply until the filing of a grantable petition was unintentional.

The present petition has been found to be in compliance with 37 CFR 1.137(f). Accordingly, the failure to timely notify the Office of a foreign or international filing within

45 days after the date of filing of such foreign or international application as provided by 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)(B)(I) has been rescinded. A publication date of December 21, 2006 has already been communicated to the applicant in a notice mailed September 5, 2006.

The petition fee in the amount of \$1500.00 was applied with the Petition filed May 26, 2006 and since this is a renewed petition, no additional fees are due and none have been charged.

This matter is being referred to Technology Center 3739.

Telephone inquiries related to this decision should be directed to the undersigned Petitions Attorney at (571) 272-3212.

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